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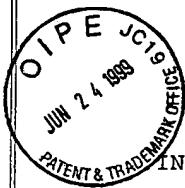
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AMENDMENT

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In response to the official action dated February 8, 1999, in which claims 103 and 104 were allowed, and claims 95-102 were rejected, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

IN THE CLAIMS

95. (Amended) A device for closing a puncture in a wall of an artery comprising:

an elongated member having a distal end, said elongated member sized to be fitted through a passageway leading to said puncture so that said distal end is disposed near said puncture in said artery,

separable plug means for plugging said puncture being disposed in [at said distal end of] said elongated member,

movable guide means extending longitudinally through said elongated member and said plug means for extension through said puncture for guiding said plug means to said puncture, and

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